### INCIDENTS IN HARLEM.

### A NEW REPUBLICAN CLUB-AFFAIRS IN SOCIETY.

The results of the recent election have not dam the arder and enthusiasm of Harlem Republicans. The yeoman service and effective work done during the recent campaign by the First Presidential Voters' Republican Club, which had its headquarters at No. 158 West One-hundred and twenty-fifth st., will remain fresh in the minds of Democrats as well as Republicans of Harlem. At the close of the when the club was about to be disbanded. political organization. In spite of the fact that the "Grand Old Party" had met defeat, a meeting was held and a club was organized with about seventy-five members. Julius M. Mayer was elected temporary dent, and W. A. Charles temporary secretary nd meeting of this new club was held in the Building in One-hundred-and-twenty-fifth-st. near Seventh-ave., on November 23, at which meeting the new club was named the Independence Club.



The membership continued to increase, and when the first regular meeting was held in the new club-rooms, at No. 337 Lenox-ave, Monday evening, more than 150 names were on the rolls. The members of organization believe in young and vigorous meth ods of carrying og political work, and their Repub-licanism is making itself felt in Harlem. When the next campaign opens the Independence Club will be found fighting on the second government, and for the principles of the rooms are conveniently situated in Lenox-ave, and One-hundred-and-twenty-seventh-st. They are taste-fully decorated, and contain billiard, card, reading. reception and meeting rooms.

The president of the club is Julius M. Mayer, one the popular young Republicans of Harlem. He is president of the regular Republican Organization of the XXVIIIth Assembly District. He did excellent the campaign last year, and he has exwork in the same energy since his connection with this new club. John T. McNeill, the first vice-president of this club, also did good work for the First Presidential Voters' Republican Club. He is a convert the Democracy, and he is now secretary of the XXVIIIth Assembly District Republican Organization The second vice-president, Mr. Neamann, was a resident of the old Ninth Ward from which so many hustling" citizens have come, and his experience in work was felt in Harlem in the last cam It is hardly necessary to comment further on ters of this new club, as they are all competent and well-known Republicans. But there is one officer who is perhaps one of the most popular members of the club, W. A. Charles, the recording secretary, who is favorably known to the Republicans in Harlem as having been secretary of the First Presidential Voters

Arrangements are being made for a housewarming which will take place soon, and which will be made ne of the social features of the season. The other ary; William Nathan, financial secretary; David E. Block, treasurer; Henry Greyhead, sergeant-at-William F. H. Koelsch, Messrs, Hutchinson, Altman, Gibson, Levy and Pollock, con stitute the executive committee. The finance com-mittee consists of Messrs. Webster, Gates, Greene, and Schramm. The library committee consists of Messrs. Koelsch, Sutton, Walker, Murray and Parker The entertainment committee consists of Messrs, Logan, Lasceen, Bucklin, Silberman, Hunt, Goldsmith and The club meets on the first and third

fondays of every month. Evangelical meetings will be held every day of the eek, except Saturday, at 3 p. m. and at 7:45 p. m., at Trinity Methodist Episcopal Church in One-hundredand-eighteenth-st., near Second-ave. D. W. Potter, a retired merchant of Chicago, and who has had great vices to-day at 7:30 a. m., 3:30 and 7:45 p. m. vill be assisted by E. C. Miller, who will have charge of the song services.

Rawlins Post, No. 80, G. A. R., was held on Monday evening in the Harlem Opera House Hall. The in stalling officer was Past-Commander Thomas F. Mc Grann, of the Horace B. Classin Post. The newly in stalled officers are James J. Hawkins, commander Thomas F. Galwey, senior vice-commander; Stephen Maher, junior vice-commander; James J. Butler, quar termaster; Walter W. Griffin, surgeon; Hugh Fitzpat rick, captain; John A. Butler, officer of the day, and Patrick F. O'Nell, officer of the guard. After the ceremony of installation the post held its nineteenth annual batt, those having charge of the affair being John A. Butler, floor manager; Frank M. Wilson, as sistant floor manager; while the floor committee con-sisted of the following: Luke J. Gibney, John A. McGill, Thomas McCarty, John E. Kirwin, William Oscar Poole, George M. Wingrove, D. A. O'Mara, William Sheehan and Thomas S. White. The recep-tion committee consisted of William Linn Tidball, John M. J. Perkinson, James T. Wilson, William McKeon, ley, William Polhill, John J. Cocte, Thomas O'Keefe, Richard D. Healey, T. J. O'Donohue, John C. Alex-ander, Edward B. Miller, Matthew O'Connor, Owen J. Cavanagh, D. Farrell and Charles H. Spencer.

tered into the Grand Army of the Republic in Jauary, 1874. The mustering officer detailed for that purpose was Past-Commander N. D. Herder-Clark. The charter members had all, with one or two exceptions, been active members of the Cameron Post, No Willis, Lewin Crandell, A. Hamilton Mulligan, John J. Bowes, Charles M. Bowes and K. W. Watson. The first commander of the post was Colonel Benjamin A. Willis; the first senior vice-commander was Colonel Lewin Crandell, who was the grand marshal of the adjutant and quartermaster were Luke J. Gibney and William Oscar Poole. About 1882 four comrades of the John A. Rawlins Post, living in the upper part of the city, took their transfer cards and formed the nucleus of the Judson Kilpatrick Post, No. 143, of Harlem, from which emanated the Alexander Hamilton and the Horace B. Claffin posts. John A. Rawlins Post, for many years after its organization, had its eadquarters near Union Square, but as a majority of post last summer established its headquarters in the Horton Building, No. 142 West One-hundred-andtwenty-fifth-st., where the regular encampments of the posts are hell on the second and fourth Wednes-

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Abraham Steers, the new president of the Harlem Republican Club, was duly installed in his office on Tuesday evening, at the regular monthly meeting of the club, at No. 145 West One-hundred-and-twentyfifth-st. Washington Winsor, the retring president of the club, who has served in this capacity two successive terms, greeted Mr. Steers in a nent speech. E. J. Seymour and Robert L. Roe were elected members of the club. The following Important committees were announced for 1893: Silas C. Croft, E. G. Hinckley and Isaac M. Cole, House Committee; A. M. Underhill, Henry C. Robinson, Julius M. Mayer, R. L. Sweezy and

Edwin M. Cutler, Committee on Political Affairs.

The second subscription concert which is being for the benefit of the Young en's Christian Association of Harlem class to be a most attractive affair. It will be at the Mount Morris Baptist Church, in Fifth-near One-hundred-and-twenty-seventh-st., on raday evening. Among some of the musicians will appear are Antonio Galassi, barytone; Harry per, who will sing ballads; Miss Flav's Van den de, Miss Etta Roehl, sopranc; Miss Jean Slee, ralto; Miss Marie Genay, violinist; Carl P. Lach-d, planist; Miss El'ise Shryock and Mrs. J. M.

to attend to his duties, owing to illness, for over a year.

An "at home" was given by Mrs. Leander II. Crall and Miss Crall on Friday afternoon, at their house, No. 119 Lenox-ave. Mrs. Crall and Miss Crall were assisted in receiving by Mrs. Charles D'W. Bridgman, Mrs. Thomas II. Newman, Mrs. C. W. Robinson, Mrs. F. F. Blodgett, and several other of Miss Crall's friends. Among those present were Mrs. Walcall's friends. Among those present were Mrs. Walcall's friends. Among those present were Mrs. Walcall's friends, Mrs. J. W. French, Mrs. Thomas Allison, Mrs. C. C. Tyler, Mrs. Joachim Elmendorf, Mrs. W. C. Bitting, Mrs. LeRoy W. Hubbard, Mrs. Mrs. Mrs. Mrs. Miss Ayres, Ille Misses Chamberlin, Marshal Ayres, Miss Ayres, Ille Misses Chamberlin, Mrs. Abraham Steers, Mrs. Wilson, Mrs. Kissam, Mrs. J. Walter Thompson, Mrs. Lucien C. Warner, Miss A. Warner, Mrs. Lloyd, Mrs. Bishop Brewer, Mrs. J. J. Warner, Mrs. Lloyd, Mrs. Bishop Brewer, Mrs. J. J. Warner, Mrs. Lloyd, Mrs. Bishop Brewer, Mrs. J. J. Warner, Mrs. Elsop Brewer, Mrs. J. J. Temple Israel Sister lood, of Harlem, held its an-Temple Israel Sister lood, of Harlem, held its an-

Warner, Mrs. Lloyd, Mrs. Bishop Brewer, Mrs. J. J. Blodget, Mrs. Marian Stanger, Mrs. Jacon Shrady and the Misses Teft.

Temple Israel Sisterbood, of Harlem, held its annual meeting last week in the Sunday-school rooms of the church at One-hundred-and-twenty-fiftlest, and Fifth-ave., at which the annual reports of the work done by the women of the organization were read. These reports showed that over 250 families were assisted in the year 1892 with money or clothing, and that many deserving people were made self-supporting. The kindergarten established in One-hundred-and-elgithest, was shown to be in a flourishing condition under the management of Miss H. Hertheirn. Although the school was opened less than five weeks ago, it is now in full running order and doing good work. The following officers of the sixter-hood have been elected: Mrs. D. P. Hays, president; Mrs. J. G. Miller, vice-president; Mrs. J. A. Ottenburg, treasurer; Mrs. J. G. Markewitz, carresponding sceretary; Mrs. Dr. M. H. Harris, recording sceretary; Mrs. Charles C. Tyler and Mrs. LeRoy W. Hubbard gave their second reception of the scason at No. 1,935 Madison-ave. on Wednesday. Mrs. Tyler and Mrs. Thomas M. Davis, Mrs. John Boardman, Jr., and Mrs. Thomas H. Newman. Mrs. Tyler and Mrs. Hubbard wire assisted in receiving by Mrs. Veraon Mrs. Hubbard wire assisted in receiving by Mrs. Veraon H. Newman. Mrs. Tyler and Frs. Hubbard wire assisted in receiving by Mrs. Veraon S to 11 p. m.
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Mr. and Mrs. Henderson, of One-bundred and-twenty-third-st., gave an informal reception to Miss Carrie Tolman, of Maine. Among those present were Miss Rosenfield, Mr. and Mrs. William Robertson, Miss Martha Robertson, Mrs. E. C. Smith, Mrs. Wilson McDenald, Mrs. Lillian Wood, Dr. Paul Collins, Miss Kingsbury, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Lounsbury, Miss Maude Riee, Mrs. Rosenfield and M. W. Lehman.

The tenth auniversary of the wedding of Dr. and Mrs. Arthur H. Leary was celebrated on Tuesday night at their home, No. 1,885 Lexington-ave. A large number of their friends assembled. A short musical programme was given by Miss C. E. Cox and Henri Well. Among those present were the Rev. Arthur Crossley, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Haby, Mr. and Mrs. Hollingsworth, the Misses Hollingsworth, Dr. Kluney, Mr. Stevens, Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Ester, Mr. and Mrs. William Purdy, Mrs. Robert Peterson, Dr. Kluney, Mr. Stevens, Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Ester, Mr. and Mrs. William Lister and Mrs. Robert Ash.

### ABOVE THE HARLEM RIVER.

WORKING FOR REDUCED FARES-SOCIAL EN TERTAINMENTS.

A bill to compel the Manhattan Company to carry passengers from the Battery to Fordham for a single fare of 5 cents was introduced in the Legislature last week. Passengers on the Second and Third-ave. elevated roads who desire to reach points on the Suburban are now compelled to transfer and pay an extra fare at One-hundred-and-twenty-ninth-st. similar to that introduced last week were before th Legislature of 1892, but none of them was passed. With the support of the Real Estate Exchange and of many individuals outside of the upper wards, the itizens hope to secure this year the reduction in fares. Other legislation will be sought for the benefit of ide residents, especially bills providing for the widening and repairing of some of the principal avenues. The proposed law doing away with the rule that one half of the expense of opening uptown streets shall be borne by the city has many advocates, but i still opposed by other property owners.

The opening of Webster ave, above One-hundred and eighty-fourth-st, will not be longer delayed. The Suprem: Court has confirmed the report of the Comnissioners and Commissioner Heintz will begin the work as soon as the legal formalities can be carried out. The plans for the grading of Bergan-ave, have been approved and work on the avenue will begin it the spring. The proceedings for the opening of East One-hundred-and-sixty-fourth and East One-hundred and sixty-seventh sts. have been approved by the court Work on the Wolff-st, sewer, which is to benefit Hig Bridge residents, has been suspended on account of a between the centractors and the New-York Central Railroad officials as to the manner in which the excavations shall be made under the Central tracks. The sewer is greatly needed, and the cor struction will be continued as quickly as the presen

difficulties can be overcome. The energetic managers of the Morris Club have de vised a new plan to increase the popularity of tha social organization. Accommodations are to be proided for bicycles belonging to members, so that those who are interested in bleycle riding may keep the trips there. Arrangements have been made by which refreshments and music will be furnished at the club ouse when parties of bleyele riders return from their The wives, daughters and minor sons of n bers will have the privilege of keeping their bleycles in the apartment provided at the clubbouse. A depart ment of the club, to be known as the Morris Wheel men, will probably be organized soon. F. I. Latime has issued a circular inviting the attention of member of the club to the new plans for those who are fond o bicycle riding. Since the club abolished initiation feet members. The members of the Ariel Tennis Clui They gave an entertainment at dramatic talent. Farshall's Hall, Washington ave, and One-hundred and slyty-seventh-st., at which Gilbert and sullivan's opera "Trial By Jury" was given, the east consisting of E. Erambell Childs, Judge; A. C. Postley, Clerk of Court W. O. Totten, Defendant; Miss Edith Tomplans, Plata tiff, and H. H. ughton, Counsel. A farce entitled "Who Is Who!" was also given. Those who had leading strond and Miss C. Marie Pilat. Miss Mary Isabe Downey sang, and there was instrumental music by F. H. Lowrie, George M. Prin and Miss A. C. Rex straw. The entertainment was for the benefit of the Church of the Holy Falth. The audience included

An entertainment and reception of the Brownse Literary Union attracted many persons to Ebling' Casino on Tuesday night. The one-act comedy, "My Uncle's Will," was first presented, Thomas Gaffner Taaffe, Joseph B. Richardson, and Miss Brock, taking part in the performance. In the comedy "Withere Leaves," which followed, there were besides those already mentioned, Miss Josie A. O'Connor, Richard Coleman, Dr. Geary and J. M. Clune. Dancing occu-pled the later evening and early morning hours Among those in charge of the reception and dancing were Dr. James P. Daley, Thomas E. Lyons, Michael sullivan, and Henry J. Devlin. Mr. Richardson 1 president of the club, John E. Kelly, secretary and

large number of well-known residents of North New

treasurer, and Dr. Geary, editor. The funeral of Peter E. Tarpy, the editor and school teacher, was attended on Monday morning by many prominent residents of the northern ward and of Long Island City. Mayor Gleason o Long Island City, John Knoeppel, Captain Foley, Phillip O. Ryan, members of the Galway Clut New-York Press Club, and a large number of teachers from the Long Island City public schools were present. The Rev. Father Tandy made the funera

present. The Rev. Father Tandy made the funeral address at \$1. Jerome's Church, Alexander-ave, and One-hundred and-thirry-lighth-si.

Skating and bowling attracted the attletic young men of the upper wards last week. The skating art Van Courtlanut, Cretona and \$1. Mary's Parks, was enjoyed by large numbers of persons, in spite of the severe weather. In the North side bowling fournament, many games have already been played. The swiss American Club led all the others in the opening games, but there are many excellent players in the attained and ridgay Afternoon Club teams, and the result of the tournament is still doubtful.

A pedition has been prepared asking the Board of ide cation to provide accommodations for primary pupils in the part of the Twenty-third Ward known as apringhuist. There are many children who are compelled to walk nearly a mile to the nearest public school, and others are kept at home for want of convenient school building. Colonel J. A. Goulden, the new school commissioner, has begun a systematic visiting of the various uptown public schools. He paid a visit last week to the Fordman school, and examined the sanitary arrangements which have been the cause of much complaint and which it is believed, formed a main cause for the outbreak of dipitheria and other diseases among the pupils attending this school.

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The installation of officers and a social reunion caused the gathering of the members and friends of Colonel E. D. Baker Camp. Sons of Veterans, on Monday night at Urbach's Hall. Colonel George B. McClellan, President of the Board of Aldermen, Assistant District Attorney Bartow S. Weeks, Colonel Sprague, Dr. Reynold W. Wilcox, John V. D. Clarkson and Colonel Oberdorf were among the guests. The officers installed included J. H. Wilder, capialn: A. J. Aldrich, first leatenant; E. E. Acker, second lieutenant; M. Gansberg, surgeon; and James Black, Jr., H. G. McCords and B. L. Nodine, camp council. The officers and some other members formed the reception committee and committee of arrangements.

The literary society, known as St. Jerome's Lyceum, and connected with St. Jerome's Church, in the Twenty-third Ward, gave an entertainment and reception at the Central Opera House on Friday evening. The annual ball of the Tiger Club was attended by the members and many other guests at Ebling's Casino on Monday tight. An entertainment and reception of Surbarran Council took place on Wednesday evening at Ebling's Casino. The recitations and muslo were attractive, and the dancing was enjoyed by a large number of young people. Joseph H. Erowi is Regent of the Council, Millard J. Wanhelmis was floor manager, and Charles P. Willis was at the head of the reception committee.

# OUR BIG SISTER CITY

# AFFAIRS IN BROOKLYN.

An Attempt to Swindle a Bank-Long Delay of Firemen at a Blaze -Physicians Charged with Playing Cards in a Hospital-Various Items of General Interest.

WORK AT THE NAVY YARD

ICE AND SNOW CAUSE DELAYS.

REPAIRS ON THE CHICAGO-DISCUSSION IN THE

ENGINEERS' CORPS. It is exfremely unusual to find the Wallabout Chan nel in the Navy Yard frozen over. This does not occur every winter, but only on special occusions, and then it is a sight to behold. This condition of affairs is now in existence in the Navy Yard. Cakes of ice have become wedged in the Wallabout Channel, solidly frozen together, while the last week's snow has covered the surface. The steam scow which usually plies between the Yard and the Cob Dock has become nipped in this mass of ice, and is unable to move, and so the only way of communication between the two sides is by means of a path directly across the ice or over a bridge a long way around-going around

the Horn the officers call it. Seeing Wallabout Charnel frezen over in this way makes one think of the Arctic regions. Probably the officers who have been to the zone where it really find little resemblance between that dread place and this tame little freeze; but in the eyes of a layman, a native New-Yorker, this field looks large enough to turn his thought toward the Arctic. Not only is the scow frozen in, but other vessels in that part of the channel are held fast. The monitor Terror is imprisoned at her moorings next to the sen wall; by her side the meniter Miantonemoh is held, and cannot be moved so as to permit the big flort-ing crane to be hauled out and used, and near to her is the fleating crane, which itself could not be moved even if the Miantenemoh were out of the way.
Of course this condition of affairs—cold and ice and snow-delays the work that is being done in the Navy Yard, but probably it will soon be over, and so will not cause serious delay. The weather makes : difference to the cruiser Philadelphia, for instance That vessel has been repaired and now she needs ome coal to make her ready for sailing. probably frozen in the ice somewhere. At lag Rear-Al miral Walker, when he returned to his flagship of Friday, brought with him the orders for the Phila delphia, which say that as soon as she can be made ready she shall sail for Port Royal, S. C. She is to carry some projectiles thither to be used in the trials of the dynamite cruiser Vesuvius. This freezing up of the Navy Yard carries some of the naval officers buck to the winter of 1866-67. The Iroquels was then in the Navy Yard ready to sail for China, but along came a cold snap and caught her in the ice and held her there from December 19 until January If an officer had leave to go ashere, all he to do was to go from the ship down on the ice and

walk across to the main part of the yard. The repairs on the Chicago, the flagship of Kenr Admiral John G. Walker, are principally those of the boilers, the object being to make them fit for another year of cruising at least. Engineer-in-Chief George ided upon for more than another crusse, and that active and constant service since her completion.

externally fired with brick furnaces, a type that has some merits, but whose great weight for the power a type that is also heavy, unsuitable, and out of date. machinery of this vessel weighs, in steaming condition, about 1,042 tons and occupies fore and aft in the ship a length of 142 feet; the greatest horse power ever developed by It was 5,245, and the speci if the vessel slightly over fifteen knots. machinery in one of the newer vessels of the Navy has developed 8,800 horse power on a weight of about 750 tons in steaming condition, and a space fore an aft in the ship of 130 feet; in other words, nearly 70 per cent more power than the Chicago or more than 25 per cent less weight, and a space occupied for this can be fitted in the Chicago, and will give her an increase of speed of nearly three knots as well as an increased carrying capacity of nearly 300 ton To decrease the weight of the machinery of a vessel to that necessary for the safe production of the power desired means more than merely additional weight of space available for something else; it means also that the needless expense of freighting unproductive dead weight around the world is avoided, and this expense the case of a vessel like the Chicago will soon mount to a considerable sum."

Commodore Melville advises that it would be unwise o furnish the vessel with new bollers and allow the present engines to remain in hor, and this suggestion will probably be followed. He estimates that the changes, utilizing material now in some of the navy changes, utilizing material now in some of the may yards as well as pumps, blowers, line shafting and other parts of machinery now in the vessel, could be made for ₹500,000. If his recommendations meet the approval of Congress the work of construction, at the Navy Yard or by contract, could be began as soon as the appropriation should become available, and be

completed inside of two years. New propelling machinery for the large Navy to: Nina, which has done so many years' service at the Navy Yard, has been designed, and the work of con structing it has been authorized and will soon be indertaken at the yard. The estimated cost of this machinery was \$30,000, but by using some parts of the present machinery and much suitable material lying useless-as old cast fron guns, brasses, propello s, etc. commodore Melville says that the construction at the Navy Yard will not exceed \$16,000. In Commodore Melville's department have also been prepared the plans and specifications for the motive machinery of the large armored cruiser and the battle-ship, the con-tracts for the building of which were awarded to Cramp & Sons a few days ago. The main boilers de signed for the battle-ship are the largest structures of the kind yet undertaken in this country. They will be built of steel plates one twenty-seven sixty-fourth nches in thickness.

The contracts for building these two vessels referred to-the sca-going battle-ship Iowa and the armored culser Brooklyn-provide that the cost of the former shall not exceed \$3,010,000 and of the latter \$2,980, boll not exceed \$3,010,000 and of the latter \$2,980, 000. Tals is from 10 to 12 per cent less than the contract price for any other new ships that the Navy Department has contracted for heretofore.

An item of special interest occurring in the last we weeks was the granting of two years' leave to hief Engineer Nathan P. Towne, who for four yearas been in charge of the drawing rooms of the Bureau of Steam Engineering, and also principal assistant to commodore Melville. Immediately after securing the wo years' leave it became known that Chief Engineer Towne had secured a place with Cramp & Sons similar to that which he has filled at the Navy Department, and at a salary of \$10,000 a year. It is only a few years ago that Naval Constructor Lewis Nixon resigned from the Navy to accept the place of chief naval con structor at Cramp & Sons'. The offer to Chief Engi-neer Towne is a just tilbute to his professional ability. He has been in charge of the details of de-signing the machinery of all the new ships contracted for during the present Administration, and is the in-ventor of the boiler which bears his name. Only a short time ago Passed Assistant Engineer Asa M Mattice resigned from the Navy to accept a place in civil life at \$10,000 a year in Boston, and several other engineer officers have resigned because larger salaries and better places were offered them in civil

The actual condition of affairs in the Navy now a regards the Engineer Corps has been pointed out to Congress as serious and very slarming. On account of the panelty of numbers alone the engineer officer at sea frequently finds himself under the performation of duties so multifarious as to be beyond the limit of his physical capacity and endurance. The corp is recognized as too small for anything more than a heroic effort at performing the duties required, and is so recognized by all who are familiar with the conditions of the Navy and who are not antagonistic to its needs. Then there is much discontent because

instead of positive rank, and because every effort to secure recognition of their professional ability and

Chief Engineer Charles Henry Baker will be pu on the retired list, having reached the age limit, on Monday. He will be relieved of his present duties as the head of the department of steam engineering at the Norfolk Navy Yard by Chief Engineer Philip Inch, who recently returned from the Pacific. Mr Baker's first conspicuous service was when engaged in the capture of the Barrier Forts near Canton, He was actively engaged in the Civil War and while assisting in the medical relief of the rebe sick and wounded at City Point, Va., on May 19 1862, was taken prisoner and sent to Salisbury, N. C.

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Although January 18 has been named by Secretary Tracy as the day for the official steam trial of the Naval Academy practice ship Bancroft, unless the ice breaks up in the Bay and Sound the trial may have to be postponed. The cold weather has had the effect of retarding the work of completion of the vessel, but she is ready to make a trial at any time. On Monday last she made a run of three and one-half hours in the Lower Bay, and averaged fourteen knots in shallow water. This performance has encouraged the contractors to believe that in deep water sie will do fully as well. At this season it is aimost impossible to find a course where ice would not retard a vessel's speed, and for this reason the contractors obtained consent of the Navy Department to run her over the measured-mine course at Newport, and thus accurately determine the number of revolutions required to drive her a knot; then she can be taken out and be run at full speed for the required four hours, and from the total number of revolutions then made the average speed for the trial could be determined.

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the trailed. On the Value of the trail count is de-omicers of the Navy are looking hopefully ahead for the long promised Bine Look, or "United States Navy Regulations. The board on the revision of the work was convened about a week ago and is having daily sessions, hoping to finish the work in time for secretary Tracy to affix his signature to the new work before he gives out of office. The last revision was made in 1876, and not only has the oid book become obsolete, but it is out of print, and it is irrequently the case that one cannot be obtained at a time when needed.

More vacancies will occur in 1893 in the line of the Navy-that is, in the commanders and grades below—than was expected a few weeks ago. The only retirement in the line on account of sige to take place this year is that of Commodore James II, Gillis on May 14. If this had been the only vacancy to occur this year the junior officers would not nave had much encouragement to go up. But the death of Captain William Whitehead a few days ago will promote Commander Silas W. Terry, Lieutenant-Commander Edward T. Strong, Lieutenant Daniel Delebanty and A. Cleaves and Ensign F. A. Haessler. The prospective retirement of Captain Henry E. Robeson and Commander Oliver A. Batcheller, both of whom have been ordered before the medical board because of their apparent physical disability, will make

because of their apparent physical disability, will make vacancies for other promotions.

The recent accidental death of Fay Director Amebrose T. Clark made a vacancy in the pay corps that was not looked for, and the following, who successfully passed their examinations this week, will be promoted to the next grade above: Fay Inspector T. H. stevenson, Physinster R. W. Allen, Passed Ardstaut Laymuster C. W. Allen and Assistant Faymaster G. W. simpson.

inster C. W. Allen does simpson, nee the redirement of Rear-Admiral Daniel L. ne he has not often been seen in official circles, ough he is always the centre of a group of insting conversationalists at the meetings of the stry Order of the Loyal Legion. He was seen at Navy Yard a few days ago, and spoke with pride its good health, and no one would have credited with having possed the age limit for retirement. Is living a calm and happy existence, surrounded the members of his family and friends at No. First Unice. by the members of ms mann,
of First Place.

Lieutenant Commander Asa Walker has received to command the practice cruises

A. F. Lassoe, who is connected with the Ericsson Coast Defence Company, and who has just been appointed by Secretary Tracy as an engineer in connection with the coming experiments with the gun and some torpedonets at Newport, with a salary of \$2.50 a month, received his appointment in the commandant's office at the Navy Yard yesterday, and took the necessary outh of allegiance. Mr. Lassoe was associated with Captain Ericsson for a number of years, and since the death of the great inventor he has made improvements in the vessel designed by him, the Destroyer, and has invented the submarine torpedo gun that is at present in the vessel.

### GATHERED ABOUT BROOKLYN.

The cars drawn by horses of the line in Park and on the route. The trolley is likely to be used on the line in the near future by the Brooklyn Traction

tures upon "Exploration of Northern Greenland" in the Academy of Music on Saturday evening. It will be entitled "Icebergs, Glaclers, Mountains, Birds and Esquimans on the West Coast of Greenland," It will be illustrated with dogs, sledges, native costumes and a

Mayor Boody has not yet received the formulated mittee of the Insurance Tariff Association. He say that unless they are presented soon he will appoin a committee to investigate the condition of the Fire Department.

A new bank is to be established at Third-ave, and Fifty-second-st, for the convenience of residents that part of the city and of Ray Ridge.

Albert H. Dollard has been elected president o the Lewis & Fowler Manufacturing Company to suc

The Brooklyn Art Association has been practically conselidated with the Brooklyn Institute of Arts and

sciences by the ratification of an agreement to ex-change the stock in the former for life-membership cer-tificates in the latter. The annual report of President Wilson of the De partment of Assessment shows real estate and per onal property in the city valued at \$483,738,129, at increase of \$16,823,880 over the previous year. Wilson calls attention to the fact that the personal property pays less than 4 per cent of the taxes of

business in Brooklyn have their offices in New-York City or New-Jersey.

Some of the public school buildings have been in-sufficiently heated for the comfert of the pupils the last week. In most cases the trouble has been due to the janitors permitting the steam heating pipe

the city, and that many wealthy corporations doing

The traction company organized to lease the fran chise and property of the Brooklyn City Railroad Com pony has purchased the Brooklyn Heights Cable Road in order to be in a position to take the lease. The stockholders of the Heights Company recently soli it to a syndicate represented by President Lewis, of the City Company, and the new stockholders will meet on February 14 to ratify the lease. Presiden Lew's said yesterday that the cable company was pur chased because it had the best franchise. The new traction company is not yet incorporated. The Brook yn Traction Company, which has been incorporated will operate the Atlantic Avenue Company's lines.

The third engagement of the De Wolf Hopper comipera company in Brooklyn this season will begin to-morrow night at the Columbia Theatre. Mr. Hop-per, Miss Della Fox, Samuel Reid, Miss Annie O'Keefe, Alfred Kline, the big and little elephants and all the other members of the company will appear, and the amusing comic opera will be given in complete-ness and with the original accessories. On Tuesday evening the nobles of the Mystic Shrine will attend in a body from Kismet Temple. At the Amphion Academy the merry "Jane" wil

be presented this week, with Miss Johnstone Bennett in the title role, and the rest of the cast recently seen at the Columbia. The performance of "Jane" will be preceded by the prize short play "Chums."

GENERAL KING WILL STILL BE REFEREE An injunction was sought by Stephen M. Hoye, it

he Supreme Court restorday, to restrain General II C. King from longer acting as referee in the proceed acquire property in Hudson-ave. Mr. Hoye took um bruge at a decision of the referee at a recent hearing in the case when he wanted to go into the entire

president, Frederick Uhlmann, and withdrew from the case. He alleged in his affidavit that the referee had been unduly influenced. Judge Cullen listened to the arguments and affidavits, and then denied the motion with \$10 costs. He said that the charges of wrong-doing were based on mere suspicions and were utterly unjustifiable.

NEWS FROM THE ARMORIES.

REVIEWS AND PRESENTATIONS OF MEDALS-RE-PORTS OF REGIMENTS.

General Benjamin M. Whitlock, the State Inspector of Rifle Practice, reviewed the 47th Regiment at th armory in Marcy-ave, on Tuesday evening. Colonel Eidy was in command. The regiment Eidy was in command. The regi-formed in eight companies of twelve files, first battalion, consisting of Companies B, E, F and G, being commanded by Major William R. Pettigrew, ard the second, consisting of Companies A, D, I and K, by Captain W. H. Eddy. Lieutenants Lyon and Olden were adjutants. After the review the marksmen's ladges were given to the men. Lieutenant G. L. Bennett, of Company H., won the Strong medal, and Private W. F. Cherry, of Company I., the Dakin prize. Eleven men won sharpshooter's badges, and

14 won marksmen's decorations.

-Major P. H. McNulty, the brigade quartermaster n the staff of General McLeer, announces that he will esign in a few weeks because of private business. He has been in the Guard for nearly ten years.

The quarterly report of the 14th Regiment shows its nembership as 668 on January 1, a net loss of six during the last three months. The largest company is L. whose members have not changed from eighty-one. The smallest is G, which has fifty-three men, a gain of one. Company B, has a net loss of seven and its number is sixty-six. Company H, has now sixty men, gain of eight.

The quarterly report of the 47th Regiment shows 593 members, a net loss of fifteen since October 1. Company D has lost six members, but is still the largest company, with ninety-six men. The smallest company, B, remains stationary with fifty-two men. The only company that has gained is K, which, with five new men, has a roll of sixty-four.

There is a good deal of talk in the 47th Regiment over the case of William Balley, of Company B, who as recently discharged from his place as a driver for Koch Brothers, because, It is said, of his duties at the armory interfering with his work. He has since been unable to get employment, though he has a family to support.

The annual ball of Company G, 14th Regiment, the swellsh Guard, was held last evening at Saengerbund

The members of Company A, 13th Regiment, Monday night presented a handsome sword and belt to Captain Frank R. Wiswell. The company will probably go to Washington to attend the inauguration

to Captain Frank R. Wiswell. The company will probably go to Washington to attend the inauguration of Mr. Cleveland. The Washington Light Guards has invited the Brooklyn company to visit it at that time. Captain Wiswell and Lieutenants Stewart and Johnson have been appointed a committee with power.

Justice Calvin E. Pratt, who was formerly Colonel of the 23d Regiment, will review that organization on January 21.

The 12d Regiment, will review that organization on Monday night gave a sword to Assistant Signal Corps on Monday night gave a sword to Assistant Signal Officer Charles W. Blackburne.

The 13th Regiment Veterans' Association on Wednesday evening elected the following officers: President, Major J. F. Ackerman; first vice-president, H. H. Beadle; second vice president, John 4P. Servinser; secretary, F. A. Raldwin; treasurer, C. W. Tandy; cemmissary, Henry F. Herkner; executive committee, Theodore B. Gates, William T. Lane, Judah B. Voorhees, William E. Wilkins, Herma Morris, George S. Moseley, William Vanderwegen, John Vandegaw, C. C. Krepps, Charles E. strong.

The annual reunion and presentation of marksmen's badges to the members of the first baitalion of the 14th Regiment took place on Thursday evening. Brizadier-General McLeer was the reviewing officer. The battalion consisted of five companies, A. E. F. 41 and I. commanded by Malor Benjamin S. Steen, with Lieutenant Andrews as adjutant.

An attempt to swindle the Brooklyn Bank has been detected by President Henry Hutchinson, and the police have been asked to look out for two men who called themselves Schwerip and Sweeny. them, and wanted to open an account. deposit of \$80 in each and a check for \$12.75 drawn on the Hanover National Bank. President Hutchingson suspected them of intending to swindle him, and gave notice to the bank employes to let him know sent a clerk to Blank, who said he did not know men, but that they had come to his place and said that they were sent by a friend who told them he The matter was talked over, and they finally agreed to take the place at his terms. Then they asked for an introduction at his bank, and

On Wednesday wille Mr. Hutchinson was at lunch on Schwerin appeared at the bank and wanted to deposit drafts on banks in Philadelphia and Buffalo amounting to \$10,000 and to have a check cashed When Mr. Hutchinson returned he declined to receive the drafts or check as Schwerin had not

## DEATH OF JOHN LEECH.

John Leech, once a member of the Brooklyn Board of Aldermen, died yesterday at his home, No. 394 was born in Scotland and came to this country in 1813. For many years he was a rope-maker near the Navy Yard and afterward conducted business as a granite and marble contractor until he retized a quarter of a century ago. He was a volunteer fireman for twenty-five years and one of the founders and presidents of the Mechanics' Exchange. In pollties he was a stanch Whig and afterward a Republi-

For thirteen years he was the Whig candidate for Alderman of the Fifth Ward, a Democratic stronghold, Alderman of the Fifth Ward, a Democratic stronghold, and was finally dected in 1850. He was a member of Fortitude Lodge, F. and A. M., and of St. Peter's Episcopal Church, where the funeral will be held. One of the sons of the dead man, Richard B. Leech, was recently a member of the Board of Alderman from the Hd Aldermanic District.

### HOSPITAL PHYSICIANS PLAYED CARDS.

Card-playing by the visiting staff of physicians attached to the Eastern District Homocopathic Dispensary in South Third-st. has long been objected to by President George V. Tompkins, of the Board of Trustees. As a result of his objections an order was issued prohibiting card-playing, but the order was disobeyed, it is alleged, by three of the physicians. Charges were then brought against them before the board which met on Friday night. The physicians were Dr. Hubert J. Knapp, of No. 68 Maujer-st.; Dr. George W. Bulmer, of No. 1,210 Bushwick-ave., and Dr. Frank B. Williams, of No. 583 Bedford-ave. They were asked to show cause why they should not be expelled from the institution. The meeting was secret. Dr. Knapp, in his own defense, declared that he had been attached to the hospital staff for eight years and played cards with the knowledge of President Tompkins. He declared that the order emmated through spite and added that card-playing was althrough spite and added that Catalyang was lowed in any medical institution. A lively wrangle then followed on account of the board refusing to listen to President Tompkins's motion to expel the three physicians. The final result was that President Tompkins withdrew his motion and retired.

### DISEASE ATTACKS A WHOLE FAMILY.

A sad affliction has overtaken the family of James M. Reeves, the undertaker, who lives at No. 364 Eroadway, by the death of two children and the Illness of the rest of the family. There were three children, who were in perfect health until two weeks ago, when the eldest child, Ethel, was taken ill with carlet fever and died. On Friday Corrine, three years old, was buried, having been a victim of pneu-monia. A few hours after the funeral Mrs. Reeves and her five months old Infant were removed to the Flatbush Hospital, suffering from smallpox, while the harband is now confined to the house with varioloid. In the last two years Mr. and Mrs. Reeves have buried five children. The rooms of the family are in the rear of the store. The building is a double in the rear of the store. The building is a double four-story tenement house. As soon as the case was breught to the notice of the Board of Health Dr. Corish was sent to the house and vaccinated the occupants of the building and two adjoining houses. The building where the Revers family live was then quarantined, and several policemen from the Sixteenth Precinct were sent to guard the place.

### JACKSON HELD FOR LIBEL. Vice President Louis Jackson, of the Congregation

Beth Jacobs, who was charged by President Schwartz with criminal lib4, was arraigned before Justice Goetting yesterday and held in \$300 ball for trial. Jackson was expelled from the congregation for calling them "jackasses." After his expulsion be charged President Schwartz with having tampered with the money box of the synagogue. Mr. Jackson said yes-terday that he was about to bring mandamus proceed-ings against the congregation to compel it to reis-"ute him as one of its members.

POLITICAL AND PERSONAL

PUBLIC MEN AND AFFAIRS.

JOSEPH ASPINALL'S WORK AS A SENATOR-RE

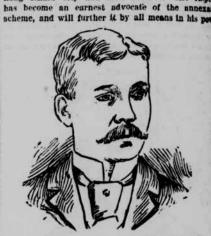
PUBLICAN GENERAL COMMITTEE. s Joseph Aspinall, of the IIId District. He is Rich to be a more conspicuous figure this winter than be was last winter when he began his term of service in the Upper House. He has already taken an active part in opposition to the measure to relieve the count and city officials from responsibility in connection with the illegal expenditure of money for the Columbus celebration. He will introduce to morrow the

interested at the next election of the propos

enlarge New-York by adding to it the western end o

Long Island, including the cities of Brooklyn and

Long Island City and their suburbs. Mr. Aspinal



SENATOR JOSEPH ASPINALLA Joseph Aspinall is a well-known lawyer, with the

office in the Brooklyn Trust Company's building in Montague-st., and his home is in Lafayette-ave., in the Twenty-first Ward. He was born in Brooklyn in 1854 and was educated in the public schools and clerk in a rope factory, but decided to become a law yer. In 1875 he was graduated from the Columbia Law School and admitted to the bar. He is in part nership with Edgar Bergen, of Flatbush, and his practice is chiefly in Surrogate cases and real estate. He is counsel for the National City Bank and other corporations. Mr. Aspina!l early took an active part in politics in his ward and the city, and has been sent as a delegate to many state and city conventions. In 1887 he was a condidate for Assembly in what was then the XIth District and was elected by a large majority and re-elected the following year In 1889 he was not a candidate, but in 1890 was re turned. He served on important committees an was active in investigating the ceiling scandal. In 1891 he was elected State Senator to succeed Jan W. Birkett, defenting Assemblyman Charles W. Suth erland by 2,157 votes.

Mr. Aspinall is a member of the Senate Committee on Commerce and Navigation, Insurance and Library, He has made many friends in his Albany career. H is a well-known clubman, belonging to the Union League, Aurora Grata and other social organization is a thirty-second degree Mason, and a member of the Scottish Rite and Mystic Shrine. The Senat district he represents includes the Third, Fourth, seventh, Eleventh, Thirteenth, Nucteenth, Twentieth, Twenty-first and Twenty-third wards. By the new apportionment there will be five Senate districts inead of three. The Hid will be constituted of th Thirteenth, Ninetcenth, Twenty-first, Twenty-thirt and Twenty-fifth wards.

Mr. Aspinall was opposed to the consolidation of with New-York when in the Assembly in 1890, but he has changed his mind. In discussing the subject he says: "The chief question at issue is that of taxation. In 1871 the property in Brooklyt was assessed at about \$205,000,000, and in 1892 i amounted to over \$400,000,000, a gain of more than 50 per cent in twenty years. The tax rate is higher now than it was in 1871, and has ranged from \$2.30 to \$3.53. The tax levy has increased from \$3,000, 900 to \$0,000,000, while the debt is now \$42,000, 000, in spite of the fact that new buildings costing \$21,000,000 were erected last year. In New York property is assessed at about 50 per cent of its value and the tax rate is \$1.80, while in Brooklyn the sasessment is 70 per cent and the tax rate \$2.88. II Prooklyn is annexed to New-York she would receive the benefit of taxes on all large corporations doing business in New-York. All the ferry companies pay taxes to New-York Instead of Bracklyn. Fore than half the men of Brooklyn go to New-York every day, and their financial interests are centered there. The two cities are practically one in all save name.

The annual meeting of the Republican General Con mittee last week was marked by some peculiar in cidents. It was thought that the new bylaw require ing members to qualify by 8:30 o'clock would ex pedite the transaction of business, but after the payto make up the roll and then an hour was spent is amending it, so that it was 10 o'clock before the real business was reached, which was later than in forms years. The calculation that about 350 of the 368 members would pay ₹10 for the privilege of participating in the exercises was realized, but a score of these remained away, and only 330 voted. The plurality by which W. J. Buttling was elected preddent was 44. The unusual spectacle was presented of a failure to make the election unanimous by reason of the stubborn opposition of Franklin Woodruff When the election of the other officers was reached at a late hour Mr. Woodruff made the same objection to their unanimous choice that he had to the presi dent's election, and especially opposed the re-election of Trensurer Henry. He and Mr. Henry recalled in their remarks old times when both were defeated for their remarks old times when both were defeated for the mayoralty by large majorities. Mr. Buttling has taken active hold of the duties of his new place and proposes to make his influence felt in putting the party in proper shape for the election next fall. Steps will be taken in the way of securing election district representation next month.

Under the amended bylaws of the Republican Gen-eral Committee the members of the Executive Committee must be chosen before the first Tuesday in February, instead of March as formerly, and organiza-tion must be effected by the earlier date. Only a [4] executive members have yet been chosen. There will be a committee of thirty-five this year, the two net wards adding two to the number. It is thought likely that M. J. Dady will not remain chalrman, and the name of ex-Senator Jacob Worth is being con sidered for the place.

The experience of the past with indicted officials in

Brooklyn does not give much hope that the present indictments will result in convictions. The point is already made that the indictments are defective and this will be pressed with all the energy and ingenuity known to the law. The minutes of the Grand Jury are expected to throw light on this point and the question of obtaining them will be argued to-morrow There are indications that the members of the Grand Jury followed illegal advice in certain things, and the they refused to be bound by the opinions of the District-Attorney and his assistants, and took opinions outside of the tirand Jury room. Thus they have indicted the City Auditor for acts committed by his deputy. While the principal can be bound by acts of his deputy in civil proceedings, it is not possible for a man to be criminally responsible for acts committed by another. The Grand Jury also made a sweeping indictment of the Supervisors on the ground of order ing false and fraudulent bills paid when the appropriation for the expenses was regularly made u the constitutional powers of the Board and the bills came within the appropriation. In the judgment of many it would have been far better to have indicted fewer officials and have made the case so strong against them that there would not have been a likely hood of the entire matter amounting to nothing beyond a nine days' sensation.

One of the men not indicted, but whose name figures in the indictment of the Aldermanic Committee for paying a false and fraudulent bill is George Miller, the caterer in Prospect Park. He provided th at the Farm House after the parade was over for 400 persons, and put in a bill for \$1,200. He says that the charges were reasonable in view of what he

to do, and the service rendered.

The lack of public sentiment in Brooklyn to which The lack of public sentiment in Brooklyn to water attention was recently called in a public address is apparent in the way the indictment of so many public officials is regarded. There has been no expression of popular opinion that the laws must be enforced and that rascals must be punished. On the contrary, many men are inclined to think it a picarune affair that so much fuss should be made over the expenditure of \$40,000, when the city's annual expenses amount to \$10,000,000.

\$10,000, when the city's annual expenses have been \$10,000,000.

Miss Maria L. Pool, whose serial stories have been so much enjoyed by Tribune readers, has been visiting friends in Brooklyn, where she fornerly lived.

Mayor Gilroy failed to appear at the meeting of the Bridge Trustees, of which he is an ex-officio membrilist week. The new terminal station, which it will as year to build, will be begun shortly between the and Sauds size.